

# PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING\*

## Ever had a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) test for men aged 40 and older?

- Overall, 63 percent of men aged 40 and older reported in 2004 that they had ever had a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test screening.
- Older men aged 55+ ( $\geq 82\%$ ) were more likely to report having had a PSA test, while only 25 percent of men aged 40-44 reported ever having had the PSA test.
- Males with a college degree (74%) tended to be more likely to report ever having a PSA test.
- White males (64%) were considerably more likely to have had PSA testing than non-White or Hispanic males (46%).
- PSA testing was fairly common throughout Montana with the highest testing prevalence in the South Central health planning region (71%), though small sample sizes obscured differences.

## Had PSA test within the Past 2 years aged 40 and older?

- In 2004, more than half of Montana males aged 40 and older (54%) had a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test screening performed within the past two years.
- Men aged 55 and older ( $\geq 72\%$ ) were more likely to report having had PSA testing within the past two years than men aged 40 to 54 ( $\leq 42\%$ )
- Males with a college degree (64%) tended to be more likely to have had a PSA test within the past two years.
- White males (55%) were significantly more likely to have had PSA testing within the past two years than non-White or Hispanic males (37%).

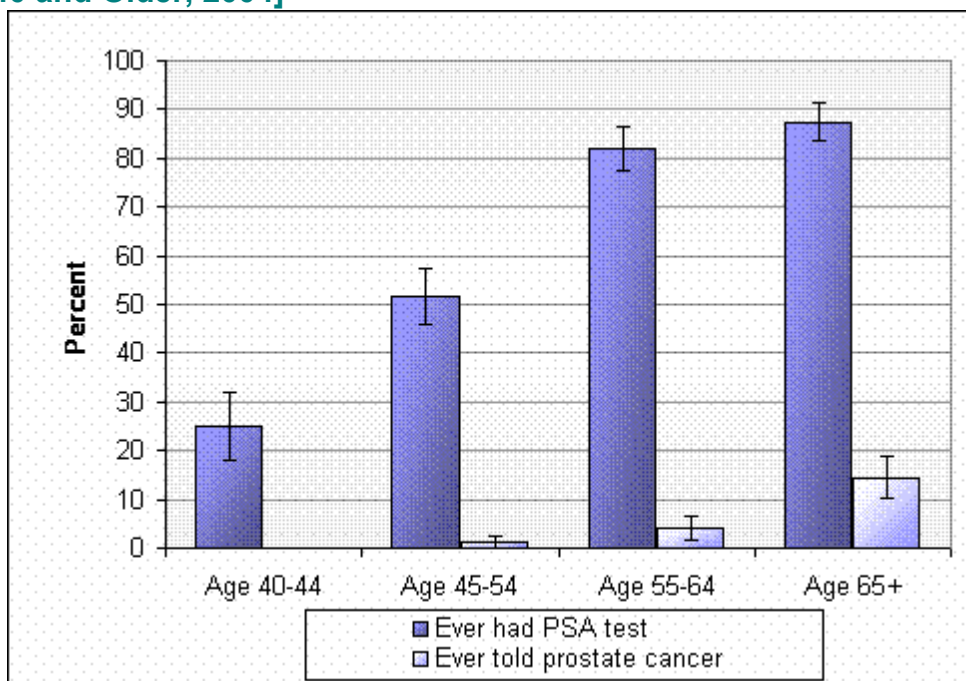
## Ever Told have Prostate Cancer for men aged 40 and older?

- The 2004 prevalence of self-reported prostate cancer for Montana men aged 40 and older was five percent.
- Prostate cancer prevalence increased with increasing age with one percent or less of men aged 54 and younger and almost 15 percent of men 65 and older reporting prostate cancer.
- White males (6%) had a higher prevalence of prostate cancer than non-White or Hispanic males (1%).
- Disability status and location of residence appeared to have little influence on the prevalence of self-reported prostate cancer in Montana men aged 40 and older.

*\*Denominator is men aged 40 and older*

**[Table 18. Prostate Cancer Screening, Montana Men Age 40 and Older, 2004]**

**[Figure 18. Prostate Specific Antigen Test and Prostate Cancer, Montana Men Age 40 and Older, 2004]**



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